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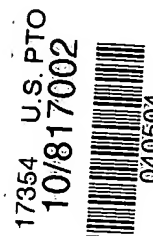
MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Taichi KOBAYASHI, Masato SUGIMACHI, and Masato
YOSHIKAWA
NEAR-INFRARED ABSORPTION FILM
Assignee: **BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q80862



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 29 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified), a copy of the International Search Report and references.

The present application is being filed as a Continuation Application, under 35 U.S.C. § 111 (a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of International Application PCT/JP02/10252, filed October 2, 2002, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Sections 1895 et seq. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. To facilitate the Examiner's review, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Cover Page of the published International Application and a copy of Applicants' PCT Request.

The Government filing fee is calculated, **after entry of the Preliminary Amendment**, as follows:

Total claims	<u>49</u> - 20	= <u>29</u> x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$522.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	= <u> </u> x	\$86.00	=	<u> </u>
Base Fee					<u>\$770.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee					<u>\$290.00</u>
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$1582.00
Recordation of Assignment					\$40.00
TOTAL FEE					<u>\$1622.00</u>



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Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$1582.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2001-308849	October 4, 2001

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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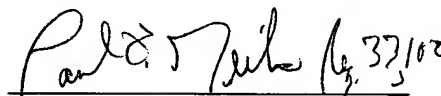
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